IN THE CLAIMS:

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--213. The information sending system according to Claim 2, characterized in that said sending end controlling means stores encrypted key data with key data for encrypting said data encrypted with a distribution key, and generates a signature for key data for said encrypted key data,

said sending means sends said generated signature for key data to said data receiving device,

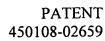
said receiving means receives said key data, and said receiving end controlling means verifies said signature for key data.

214. The information sending system according to claim 4, characterized in that said sending end controlling means stores encrypted key data with key data for encrypting said data encrypted with a distribution key, and generates a signature for key data for said encrypted key data,

said sending means sends said generated signature for key data to said data receiving device,

said receiving means receives said key data, and said receiving end controlling means verifies said signature for key data.

215. The information sending system according to claim 5, characterized in that said sending end controlling means stores encrypted key data with key data for encrypting said data encrypted with a distribution key, and generates a signature for key data for said encrypted key data,



said sending means sends said generated signature for key data to said data receiving device,

said receiving means receives said key data, and said receiving end controlling means verifies said signature for key data.

216. The information sending method according to claim 9, characterized in that in said sending step, encrypted key data with key data for encrypting said data with a distribution key is stored, a signature for key data for said encrypted key data is generated, and the generated signature for key data is sent to said data receiving device, and

in said verifying step, said signature for key data is verified.

217. The information sending method according to claim 11, characterized in that in said sending step, encrypted key data with key data for encrypting said data with a distribution key is stored, a signature for key data for said encrypted key data is generated, and the generated signature for key data is sent to said data receiving device, and in said verifying step, said signature for key data is verified.

218. The information sending method according to claim 12, characterized in that in said sending step, encrypted key data with key data for encrypting said data with a distribution key is stored, a signature for key data for said encrypted key data is generated, and the generated signature for key data is sent to said data receiving device, and in said verifying step, said signature for key data is verified.--

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